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PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 09065.0007-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Robert Frederick VEASEY et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3763

Application No.: 10/790,024 ) Examiner: L. Bouchelle

Filed: March 2, 2004 )

For: DRIVE MECHANISMS SUITABLE ) Confirmation No.: 9740  
FOR USE IN DRUG DELIVERY  
DEVICES )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the non-final Office Action dated August 11, 2006. This Petition is being filed together with the appropriate response. A fee of \$120.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 11, 2006

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